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Marker for Ovarian Cancer

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Response to Restriction Requirement

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 8, 2006, in which the Examiner imposed a restriction requirement on the claims of the above-captioned application, Applicants hereby elect the claims of restriction Group I. This includes linking claims 1-4 and 13 as well as claim 5. It is Applicants' understanding that, upon allowance of the linking claims, the claims in restriction groups II-IV will be rejoined.

This election is made without traverse.

Applicants do not believe that any fees, other than those already provided for herewith, are required for the filing of the present document. Nevertheless, any fees that may be needed may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 06-1135 under Order No. 7570/80962.

If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a phone call would help to expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' undersigned attorney at (202) 419-7013.

Respectfully submitted,

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